

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3732
FREEMAN, Jr. et al.)
Serial No.: 10/848,929) Examiner: O'Connor, Cary E.
Filed: May 18, 2004) Confirmation No.: 5694
Atty. File No.: 1029-358-CIP) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
For: "EDGEWISE ORTHODONTIC)
BRACKET WITH CHARACTER)
BASE" (as amended))
) Filed electronically

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of September 19, 2006.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: